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Morris Hancock House 314 East Broadway Salem, Salem County, New Jersey

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Owner: Mrs. Mary R. C. Clayton

Date of Erection: 1824

Architect:

Builder: Morris Hancock

Present Condition: Good

Number of Stories: Two and one-half

Materials of Construction: Foundation - stone and brick

Exterior walls - frame construction with superimposed verandas probably of later date

Interior walls - plaster

Roof - pitch with dormers on front

Historical Data:

This house has been dated 1824, the year Morris Hancock received title. The deeds before that date describe the property as building lots 21 and 22 (0-335 and P-251 Salem Deeds) and when the commissioners of Morris Hancock sold in 1849 it is described as the mansion house (8-188 Salem Deeds). The latest deed, that of December 6, 1912

(120-442 Salem Deeds), calls it the homestead residence of Morris Hancock. The commissioners sold to William Shinn who retained possession until 1855 when Owen Jones became the owner (18-315 Salem Deeds). It remained in the Jones family until 1912 when the present owner received title.

Bibliography:

A search of Salem County records by Mary N. Mifflin, Salem County Office

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